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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

SECOND AMENDMENT ARMS, et)
al,)
Plaintiffs,)
Plaintiffs,)
No. 10-cv-4257
vs)
CITY OF CHICAGO,)
Defendant.)

The discovery deposition of TONY KOLE, taken in the above-entitled cause before Steven J. Brickey, CSR, State of Illinois, at 30 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, on the 1st day of August, A.D., 2018, commencing at 10:08 o'clock a.m.

Page 2 1 APPEARANCES: 2 LAW FIRM OF DAVID G. SIGALE, P.C. BY: MR. DAVID G. SIGALE 3 799 Roosevelt Road Suite 207 4 Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137	Page 4 1 (Witness sworn.) 2 TONY KOLE 3 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
Suite 207 4 Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137	
	4 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
(630) 452-4547,	5 EXAMINATION 6 BY MR. TRESNOWSKI:
5 dsigale@sigalelaw.com 6 Appeared on behalf of the Plaintiffs;	7 Q. Can you state and spell your full
7 CITY OF CHICAGO	8 name for the record.
BY: MR. JUSTIN TRESNOWSKI 8 30 North LaSalle Street	9 A. Tony Kole, T-O-N-Y, K-O-L-E.
Room 1230	10 Q. And what is your residential 11 address?
9 Chicago, Illinois 60602 (312) 744-4746,	 address? A. 1120 West Northwest Highway,
10 justin.tresnowski@cityofchicago.org 11 Appeared on behalf of the Defendant;	13 Arlington Heights, Illinois.
12 REPORTED BY:	14 Q. That's actually I grew up in that
13 Steven J. Brickey, CSR CSR License No. 084-004675	area. So I know that is can be a long commute.
14	16 A. Sure. 17 Q. How long does it take you to get
15 16	into the city? How long did it take you to get
17 18	19 here today?
19	A. Well, today, it took well over an
20 21	21 hour.
22	Q. Do you know how many miles that is from the city?
23 24	24 A. It's about 35, yeah.
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1 INDEX 2 THE WITNESS: TONY KOLE	1 Q. You recently moved to that address, 2 correct?
3 PAGE	3 A. Yes.
4 Direct Examination by Mr. Tresnowski 4	4 Q. Where were you before?
5 Cross-Examination by Mr. Sigale 39 6 Redirect Examination by Mr. Tresnowski 45	5 A. For prior to that, I lived in
7 Recross-Examination by Mr. Sigale 47	Waukegan for about a year, year-and-a-half, I think, and prior to Waukegan, I resided in Chicago
8	8 for approximately 35 years.
9 10 EXHIBITS	9 Q. Okay. So you moved from Chicago to
11	10 Waukegan?
12 Marked for	11 A. Correct.
Identification 13	12 Q. What year? 13 A. I want to say 2015.
Exhibit No. 1 13	14 Q. We met outside.
14	15 A. Sure.
15 16	Q. My name is Justin Tresnowski. I
17	17 represent the City of Chicago in this case Second
18	18 Amendment Arms versus City of Chicago. 19 A. Okay.
19 20	20 Q. My colleague, Tom McNullty, might
21	stop by. He might not.
22	22 A. Okay.
23	Q. If some other guy walks in, that's
24	probably who it is.

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1	A. All right.	1	Q. You're not
2	Q. You've been deposed before,	2	A. No.
3	correct	3	Q. — under the influence of any drugs
4	A. Yes.	4	right now?
5	Q in lawsuits involving Second	5	A. No.
6	Amendment claims, firearms?	6	Q. So there's no reason you wouldn't be
7	A. Yes.	7	able to answer truthfully?
8	Q. How many times have you been	8	A. That's correct. Yeah, there is no
9	deposed?	9	reason.
10	A. Twice, if not three times.	10	Q. Nothing that would impair your
11	Q. So you're pretty familiar with the	11	memory?
12	process. I'll just go through some of the ground	12	A. No. No. Other than old age.
13	rules. I'm going to ask you a series of	13	Q. You're a plaintiff in this case,
14	questions.	14	correct?
15	A. Sure.	15	A. Correct.
16	Q. You know you're under oath just like	16	Q. Do you know the other plaintiffs in
17	you would be at trial?	17	this case?
18	A. Okay.	18	A. I know of them. I don't know I'm
19	Q. If you don't understand my question,	19	not acquainted with any of them.
20	just let me know.	20	Q. Okay. So you're not acquainted with
21	A. Okay.	21	Joseph Franzese?
22	Q. I can rephrase it to help you	22	A. No.
23	understand.	23	Q. Or with his entity Second Amendment
24	A. Okay.	24	Arms?
24	A. Okay.	24	At his:
	Page 7		Page 9
1	Q. For the court reporter's benefit,	1	A. No, I've heard of them, but I'm not
2	try to answer orally instead of nodding your	2	acquainted with them.
3	head	3	Q. And you don't know anything about
4	A. Sure.	4	Second Amendment Arms' plans to open a gun store
5	Q just so he can get it on the	5	in Chicago?
6	record.	6	A. No, I don't know anything about
7	A. Okay. Sure.	7	their plans.
8	Q. We'll both try not to interrupt or	8	Q. So why are you suing the City?
9	talk over each other so he can get a clean record	9	A. At the time, I was a resident of the
10	of what we're saying.	10	city and specifically the issue of I think some
11	A. Okay.	11	of the other issues had been resolved in the
12	Q. If you need to take a break at any	12	courts, specifically conceal carry, you know, the
13	time, just let me know.	13	right to possess handguns in the home, so on and
14	A. Okay.	14	so forth, but with respect to this lawsuit it's
15	Q. Mr. Sigale might make objections,	15	the possession of laser sight accessories and that
16	but unless he instructs you otherwise, you can	16	is something that I am contesting as not being
17	answer the question	17	lawful, if you will.
18	A. Okay.	18	Q. So you're interested in purchasing
19	Q when he objects. I know counsel	19	laser sight accessories?
20	mentioned that you recently had surgery.	20	A. Purchasing and possessing.
21	A. Correct.	21	Q. Purchasing and possessing
22	Q. Are you currently under the	22	A. Yes.
23	influence of any any drugs?	23	Q within the City of Chicago?
24	A. No.	24	A. Sure. Absolutely.

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1	device	1 is sought after. Sometimes I'll order things on
2	A. Correct.	2 Amazon if I don't need it right away or I don't
3	Q you were referring to previously?	3 want it right away. Sometimes I'm willing to pay
4	A. Correct.	4 more to have it right away. It just varies. For
5	Q. And you just said that that laser	5 an example, let me give you a great example.
6	sight can be attached to other firearms that you	6 If I did because I do have a
7	have besides the ones listed here?	7 valid conceal carry permit. So if I were to if
8	A. Correct, provided that those	8 it were legal to carry or to have a laser sight
9	firearms have accessory rails because the	9 accessory mounted to my carry pistol and while in
10	light/laser combo on the TRL-2 attaches to an	10 the City of Chicago something happens, I drop it,
11	accessory rail.	it breaks, it no longer functions and, to me, it's
12	Q. Do all those firearms have that	12 a critical component of my defensive weapon
13	rail?	13 system, I may be inclined to go and buy one
14	A. Yes, all these firearms listed,	14 because I have an immediate need for it and my
15	including the one I no longer own, do have those	immediate need trumps the fact that I'm going to
16	rails, correct.	save 20 percent by ordering it from Amazon, for
17	Q. And what about the other 13 to 17	example. So I think there is many different
18	firearms that you own?	18 scenarios.
19	A. Yes, they do. They're standard	For me being kind of a guy's
20	it's what's called mill standard 1913 Picatinny	guy, buying things, having them you know, the
21	rail and so the Streamline TRL-2 will mount to any	tactile experience and having them right away and
22	firearm that has that rail. It also comes with	22 walking out of the store with them is is part
23	additional adapters to mount to other firearms	of my makeup. You know, on the other hand,
24	such as Glock's that don't have a standard mill	24 sometimes I like to save money. But you have to
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1 skill of shooting with iron sights. So that being

- 2 the case, the laser itself as -- as an improvement
- 3 tool, in my opinion, does not degrade the
- 4 fundamental skill of shooting and aiming without a
- 5 laser sight. I think there is other benefits that
- 6 it does provide. Being more accurate is one of
- 7 them. I mean, I think that's part and parcel to
- 8 what it is designed to do, but there are other
- 9 features that come with utilizing a laser accessory sight on a firearm. 10
 - BY MR. TRESNOWSKI:

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O. What are those other features?

Well, for example, if we compare using iron sights, a standard firearm has a front sight and a rear sight. The distance between the two are called the sight radius. The human eye can only focus on one distance at a time and so what ends up happening is as you're focusing on the front sight, your rear sight is somewhat blurry and then it creates sort of a tunnel vision and it's hard to maintain situational awareness of your periphery.

One of the important things that a laser sight allows you to do is overcome that -- Page 28

- 1 my house for example, in the dark with iron
- 2 sights, my focus is to get my point of aim and
- 3 point of impact where it needs to be, not on the
 - aggressor's hands. I think that's clearly -- you
- 5 know, it's one of the reasons that when you see
- 6 police apprehending a subject, one of the first
- 7 things they say is "Show me your hands. Show me
 - your hands" and it's really hard, I think, to be
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- 9 able to focus on -- you know, to fight that human
- 10 effect that your eye has when it's trying to focus between two distances and also try to maintain 11
- 12 awareness of what someone's hands might be doing
- 13 or if they have accomplices, for example. It's

14 really hard to do.

> With a laser, you can point, aim. I'm confident that if something were to happen, if this person were to reach for a gun or a knife or a blunt object or something, I don't have to -- I don't have to think and get my body to do what it is supposed to do under duress. I know that laser is pointed on target and if there is a movement where, you know, the aggressor goes for a gun, I can easily squeeze the trigger and defend myself and I think that's very critical.

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that human deficiency, if you will, by -- if I had an attacker, an aggressor, if I were to put -- if I were to point my laser on my attacker, I don't

4 sacrifice any of the situational awareness. I'm 5 able to maintain a point of aim while

simultaneously visually assessing body language,

body movement, movement of others in the area, if

you will.

So it allows me as a defender in that situation, under stress caused by adrenaline and increased heart rate, to overcome the loss of the fine motor skills that that would do and a laser, I think, is a great tool for that because I'm able to maintain more control in that situation had I not had a laser sight because my brain would be focusing on the -- the conflicting visual focus between the front and the rear sight and then not being able to focus on other things around me which can also be very critical in a -in a situation where you're under duress like

I mean, clearly, hands are an indicator of action that someone may take and if I were to hold somebody at gunpoint, an intruder in Page 29

1 I think a lot of the times when 2 we talk about these things and what is really not

3 taken into account is the effect that stress has 4

on the body, what it does to my fine motor skills, 5 for example. When your body is under stress,

6 you're not going to be able to put a key in a

7 keyhole. You know, you're not going to unlock 8 your car. You're going to fumble and you're going

9 to get it in there very clumsily but you'll get it

10 in there eventually and, you know, if this is

11 happening to you under stress, now I have to utilize fundamental iron sights to be able to stop 12

that threat. I -- I don't think that's of any 13

benefit to me or to anybody for that matter over 14 15 having a laser sight accessory.

Q. Would you say that you feel more confident in your ability to shoot a firearm when you have a laser sight attached to it?

MR. SIGALE: I'm just going to object as to vagueness. You mean are you referring to any possible situation? Like are you equalizing being at a firing range versus having an attacker come at you? That's my objection. If you understand, answer it, but --

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A. I understand it to a degree. With respect to let's use the word confidence at the range -- at the range, it's a training tool. Does it make me feel more confident that I'm going to train better? I don't think it does -- I don't think it has an effect on confidence, but in a situation where I hope to never find myself defending my life or my family's life, would it make me feel more confident in succeeding -- in achieving success in the defense of myself, my life or my family? Absolutely. Absolutely. Because it's one less thing to worry about.

And it's really hard to say how one is going to react when they're under stress, when they're under attack. They think -- human instincts kick in and they take over. You know, the one -- it's one reason why we train because when we -- when these situations present themselves, all we have to rely on is our training and if I go to the range and I train with a laser or I train without a laser, I'm just creating greater chances and odds of surviving a terrible situation. Because, in that case, that's what I'm

flashlight doesn't work, then, yes, absolutely, I better be able to defend myself with an iron -iron sights.

I don't think anybody in their right mind or any instructor would teach a student to only train with a laser sight, for example, because it's not a fundamental -- it's an accessory. So it's not a fundamental part of the design of the firearm and that fundamental design is the iron sights. So, absolutely, you need to train because that's your -- that's your backup. If my laser fails, I have something to revert to.

Now, if somebody were to use a laser sight without any backup iron sights, I think that's ridiculous and I don't think anybody would do that. You know, I mean, you're putting your life in the hands of an electronic device that can fail for a number of reasons.

O. What -- what would cause a laser device to fail?

A. Well, if -- if it was damaged, if the batteries are dead. You know, lasers for the most part utilize a lot of energy and batteries really don't store too much. So that could cause

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going to rely on. BY MR. TRESNOWSKI:

Q. In a situation where you felt like you had to defend your own personal safety and use a firearm to do so, would you be able to defend yourself if your laser sight happened to be broken on your firearm?

A. Absolutely. We -- I'm one -- and there are many people out there trained to their point of failure. You know, I've also -- one of the sayings I've always had is two is one and one is none. You know, I'll carry two guns because if one gun fails, I have a backup. I'll carry two flashlights. If one fails, I have a back up. I take that into my work. I have two -- I have two sets of everything in my tool bag because if one fails, I still have another one.

So just because somebody has designed an accessory to make you more accurate or help you in training, if -- if you rely on that as your sole means of defense, in this case the laser, then you've failed from day one. You train for every possible scenario with a firearm. If my laser doesn't work, if my batteries run out, if my

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it to fail. It could -- it could not have been attached correctly, secured properly to the firearm and the recoil of the firearm could cause it to dislodge, for example. That's a failure. The laser may work, the batteries may be good, but if it's sitting on the ground, it's useless. So there is many reasons for failure. I think those are just a few.

Q. But it's your position if the laser sight failed, the laser sight wouldn't be necessary to defend yourself, you would still be able to defend yourself in that situation?

A. Sure. And if my firearm failed, I would use whatever I could to defend myself. But the point is in a situation -- you know, if you're put in a situation where you have to defend yourself, you want to have every tool available to you to do it as safely, easily and effortlessly as possible. You know, if I'm being attacked by somebody with a machete, for example, I'd prefer to reach for my pistol instead of the baseball bat next to the door because I don't want to combat the guy with a baseball bat. I want to stop the threat as quick as I can.

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